

REMARKS

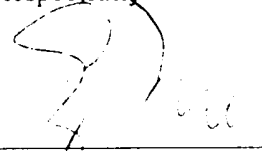
Reconsideration of this application, as amended, is respectfully requested.

The specification was amended to comply with the collective requirements of 37 C.F.R. 1.821 to 1.825. The applicants submit that the information contained in the Sequence Listing is identical to the information contained in the electronic version of the Sequence Listing. The applicants further submit that no new matter has been introduced into the application as a result of the present amendment.

The applicants provisionally elect Group III (claims 14-18) for examination purposes without traverse. The non-elected claims 1-13 (Groups I and II) were cancelled in order to expedite prosecution of the application. The Applicants reserve the right to pursue these claims in separate divisional applications.

Prompt consideration and entry of this amendment are respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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